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Candidate: Allen Ellison
Office: U.S. House of Representatives, District 17, Florida
FEC Candidate ID: H4FL17037
Re: Campaign Finance Issues

Below is a summary of the alleged issues with Mr. Allen Ellison's Congressional Campaign Financial activities from 2014 to 2016. Exhibits are attached and the majority were publically attained via Division of Elections, Department of State Florida and the Federal Election Commission.

I. Issues:

A. Issue 1:

1. Candidate Allen Ellison, ran for the U.S. House of Representatives, District 17, Florida, in Election Year 2014, see **Exhibit A**: Statement of Organization: *Ellison for Congress* and **Exhibit B**: Federal Candidate Oath from Department of Elections, Florida
2. *Ellison for Congress* Committee was formed on April 29, 2014. See **Exhibit C**. The document indicates that Allen Ellison for District 17, of Florida is the candidate. The Treasurer is Mr. Warren A. Lewis.
3. On May 2, 2014, a check was received by the Florida, Department of State, Division of Elections in the amount of \$10,440.00. The check was from *Ellison for Congress* Campaign Committee and was signed by Allen Ellison. See **Exhibit D**.
4. On May 8th, Mr. Ellison received a letter from the Florida Department of State indicating that due to incorrect qualifying papers, his candidacy for the U.S. House of Representative seat is not qualified. Included was the the signed check from May 1, 2014. See **Exhibit E**.

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5. On April 25, 2016, the FEC website was accessed and a current view of filings for *Ellison for Congress* Committee (C00562421) was brought up. The only contained filing in 2014 was a Statement of Organization (See **Exhibit A & Exhibit F**).
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B. Issue 2:

1. On February 20th, 2016, the Highlands County DEC held its annual Leadership Blue Gala. Tickets to this event were sold for \$50. Candidates were gifted tickets for this event. Mr. Ellison was given (2) tickets (one for the candidate and one for an associate) to this event for a total of \$100.00 in value. Per FEC guidelines, these gifts are considered in kind donations and must be accounted for. See **Exhibit H**.
2. On April 25, 2016, the FEC website was accessed and a current view of filings for *Allen Ellison for Congress* Campaign Committee (C00574236) was brought up. The only contained filings were two Statement of Organization. No Financial filings were present. (See **Exhibit I**).
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C. Issue 3:

1. Present at Local DEC offices, including but not limited to Lee County, is campaign literature for Mr. Ellison. See **Exhibit J**. Said literature was available on .
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D. Issue 4:

1. Present on the Internet, is a campaign website for Allen Ellison, located at www.ellisonforcongress.com See **Exhibit K**.
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E. Issue 5:

1. Allen Ellison's Congressional Campaign contains an official Campaign Facebook Page, located at <https://www.facebook.com/Allen-Ellison-For-Congress>. This page is publically accessible and includes Mr. Ellison's campaign information as well as campaign announcements. See **Exhibit L**.
2. Located on this the Facebook Page, is a comment from one of Mr. Ellison's supports, a Mr. Sean Declet, wrote a comment on January 1st, 2016. Within the comment, Mr. Declet indicates that "Today I took action and set up a monthly donation to Allen Ellison campaign."
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F. Issue 6:

1. Allen Ellison, Candidate for Congress, has a personal Facebook page that contains publicly accessible information. It is located at <https://www.facebook.com/allen.l.ellison.5>. Much like his official campaign page, this page is publically accessible and includes Mr. Ellison's campaign information as well as campaign announcements. See **Exhibit M**.
2. Located on this the Facebook Page, is a post from Mr. Allen Ellison himself, dated April 17, 2015. The post by Mr. Ellison asks for financial support through the ActBlue website. Below, the post, Mr. Ellison made a comment with the specific ActBlue link for Allen Ellison for

Congress, which includes a notation that "**1 Supporter has contributed \$100.**" See **Exhibit M.**

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II. Governing Rules:

1. Once a candidate files a Statement of Candidacy, they must file FEC Form I and subsequent financial reports. 100.72.(b) and 100.131(b).
2. A committee must have a treasurer who is responsible for (not limited to) filing complete and accurate reports and statements on time. 101.14(d)
3. A contribution is anything of value given, loaned or advanced to influence a federal election. 100.3(a). These include, but are not limited to gifts of money, in kind contributions (a person pays for services on the committee's behalf), and loans. 100.52. For example, the entire amount paid to attend a political fundraiser or vent counts against an individual's contribution limit. 100.53. Personal funds from the Candidate, are not subject to limits, BUT must still be reported. 110.10.
4. Date a contribution is made is the date the contributor relinquishes control over it. 110.1(b)(6). For example, an in kind contribution is made on the date that the goods or services are provided by the contributor.
5. Expenditure. A purchase, payment, distribution, loan, advance, deposit, or gift of money or anything of value made to influence a federal election. 110.111(a).
6. The principal campaign committee must file periodic reports on financial activity until the committee has retired any debts. 102.3(b) and 104.1(a).

III. Discussion

a. Issue 1

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- i. Mr. Ellison should have filed financial filings for his 2014 campaign and committee. Per FEC rules, all candidates for Federal office must document and file any financial contributions received. Per Mr. Ellison's statement of candidacy and Oath, he was considered a Federal Candidate under the Department of State and FEC. As such, all monetary donations received, loans, in kind donations and other contributions must be accounted for. As **Exhibit D** showed, a check was distributed to the Florida Department of State for the \$10,440 filing fee. The check was draw upon the Ellison for Campaign Committee account. The check was signed by Allen Ellison. The committee shows no financial filings (**Exhibit F**) nor does Mr. Ellison have any history of contributions. Even so the check was ultimate returned, the intent to distribute the money was there. There should have been a filing showing the sources of the money, and then a filing showing where the money ultimately ended up. In the event the funds were from Mr. Ellison's personal funds, FEC rules still make it necessary to declare the funds (FEC 110.10), as they were used for the advancement of the candidate.

b. Issue 2

- i. Mr. Ellison should have filed financial filings for his 2016 campaign and committee for the in-kind donation received from the Highlands County DEC. Under 100.53, FEC rules indicate that tickets gifted to a political function are to reported as in-kind donations. Mr. Ellison and company were offered tickets valued at \$50 each for the Leadership Blue Gala by the Highlands County DEC, in which they attended said event. *Ellison for Congress* Campaign Committee shows no filings for said tickets, nor does Mr. Ellison's individual candidate filings (see Exhibits G & I). Other candidates that attended such event, declared their tickets, and Mr. Ellison is held to the same standard as all other candidates by the FEC. Thus Mr. Ellison should have filed financial filings for the received in-kind donations.

c. Issue 3

- i. Mr. Ellison should have filed financial filings showing either the campaign expense and/or kind donation of campaign literature that is used for the *Allen*

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Ellison for Congress campaign. FEC rules dictate that any campaign related expense must be documented. Additionally, any in-kind donations or personal contributions must be accounted for in a campaign. Mr. Ellison and his campaign has distributed campaign literature to DEC offices, such as Lee and Charlotte Counties (see **Exhibit J**). A review of *Ellison for Congress* Campaign Committee shows no filings for said literature as an expense or an in-kind donation, nor does Mr. Ellison's individual candidate filings show anything (see Exhibits G & I). In Mr. Ellison utilizing the campaign literature without any filings indicate that the FEC rules are not being followed.

d. Issue 4

- i. Mr. Ellison's campaign should have filed financial filings showing either the campaign expense and/or kind donation for the website design, hosting, and the domain purchase for the *Allen Ellison for Congress* campaign. FEC rules dictate that any campaign related expense must be documented. Additionally, any in-kind donations or personal contributions must be accounted for in a campaign. Mr. Ellison and his campaign has made the campaign website publically accessible on the Internet (**See Exhibit K**). A review of various commercial website hosts and offerings leads to a few notations. First, it is possible (but unlikely) to have a website hosted for free. Internet research indicates however that domain names (.com, biz.,etc) are only available for free if the user pays a hosting fee. If not, no companies offer a strictly free domain name that is a .com. Website design is the same, in that some websites offer free general designs, but only if you pay for hosting on their web servers. At minimum Mr. Ellison, should have filings for two of the three items required to host and create a website. A review of *Ellison for Congress* Campaign Committee shows no filings for said literature as an expense or an in-kind donation, nor does Mr. Ellison's individual candidate filings show anything (see **Exhibits G & I**). In the event that Mr. Ellison had any of these items donated or done in house, the campaign should at least be listing said items as an in-kind donation at fair market value, per FEC Rule 100.52. In Mr. Ellison creating and disseminating a campaign website without any filings of expenses, indicate that the FEC rules are not being followed.

e. Issue 5

- i. Mr. Ellison's Campaign should have filed financial filings showing monthly donations to the Allen Ellison campaign from a supporter; Mr. Sean Declet. FEC rules dictate that any campaign related donation must be documented. A review of the Facebook entry on Mr. Ellison's official campaign Facebook site, indicates a commitment and a past action of completion, for a monthly donation (see **Exhibit L**). A review of *Ellison for Congress* Campaign Committee shows no filings for said literature as an expense or an in-kind donation, nor does Mr. Ellison's individual candidate filings show anything (see **Exhibits G & I**). Mr. Ellison and his campaign, should have filed financial filings indicating a monthly campaign donation.

f. Issue 6

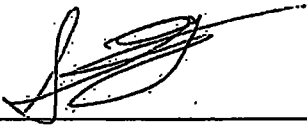
- i. Mr. Ellison's Campaign should have filed financial filings showing a \$100.00 donation to the Allen Ellison campaign from a supporter via the ActBlue website. FEC rules dictate that any campaign related donation must be documented. A review of the Facebook entry on Mr. Ellison's official campaign Facebook site, indicates a that ActBlue has received at least one donation for Allen Ellison for Congress via a donation of \$100.00 (see **Exhibit M**). A review of *Ellison for Congress* Campaign Committee shows no filings for said literature as an expense or an in-kind donation, nor does Mr. Ellison's individual candidate filings show anything (see **Exhibits G & I**). Mr. Ellison and his campaign, should have filed financial filings indicating a \$100.00 campaign donation.

IV. Conclusion

In review of the campaign issues above, a disturbing trend is shown. Based on campaign and committee filings, and lack therefore of, Mr. Ellison is not following the FEC Campaign Finance rules. It is not outside the realm of possibility that Mr. Ellison has other undocumented expenses throughout both his Congressional Campaigns. These issues should be taken extremely seriously. According to documents, Mr. Ellison has not filed any financial documents for over two-years. Even if it was a mistake on the part of someone in the

campaign, Mr. Ellison is still responsible to oversee his campaign and the length of time indicates that at minimum, Mr. Ellison has been negligent in his supervision. Based upon the documentation, Mr. Ellison and his campaign did not follow campaign finance rules, which shows a disregard for fairness and a complete breach of public trust. I accordingly ask you to review these issues and take action.

Respectfully,

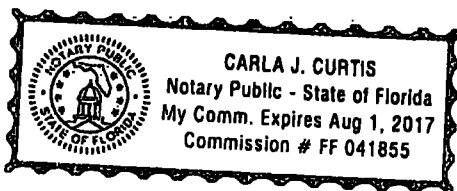


Samuel Fisher

Complainant

STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF LEE

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me on this 27th day of May, 2016
by Samuel Fisher (affiant).




NOTARY PUBLIC
STATE OF FLORIDA

Carla J. Curtis
(Print, type or stamp
Commissioned name of notary)

[x only one]

☐ Personally known

☒ Produced Identification

Type of Identification Produced:

Florida Driver's License

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FEC FORM 2
STATEMENT OF CANDIDACY

1. (a) Name of Candidate (in full) <u>Allen L. Ellison</u>			2. Candidate's FEC Identification Number	
(b) Address (number and street) <u>6100 Praise Ave</u>			<input type="checkbox"/> Check if address changed	
(c) City, State, and ZIP Code <u>Sebring, FL 33876</u>			3. Is This Statement <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> New (N) OR <input type="checkbox"/> Amended (A)	
4. Party Affiliation <u>Democrat</u>	5. Office Sought <u>House of Representatives Florida</u>	6. State & District of Candidate <u>17th District</u>		

DESIGNATION OF PRINCIPAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE

7. I hereby designate the following named political committee as my Principal Campaign Committee for the 2014 election(s).
(year of election)

NOTE: This designation should be filed with the appropriate office listed in the instructions.

(a) Name of Committee (in full) <u>Ellison for Congress Campaign Committee</u>	
(b) Address (number and street) <u>1224 David Ct.</u>	
(c) City, State, and ZIP Code <u>Wauchula, FL 33873</u>	

DESIGNATION OF OTHER AUTHORIZED COMMITTEES

(Including Joint Fundraising Representatives)

8. I hereby authorize the following named committee, which is NOT my principal campaign committee, to receive and expend funds on behalf of my candidacy.

NOTE: This designation should be filed with the principal campaign committee.

(a) Name of Committee (in full)	
(b) Address (number and street)	
(c) City, State, and ZIP Code	

I certify that I have examined this Statement and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

Signature of Candidate <u>Allen L. Ellison</u>	Date <u>4/29/14</u>
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NOTE: Submission of false, erroneous, or incomplete information may subject the person signing this Statement to penalties of 2 U.S.C. §437g.

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OATH OF CANDIDATE (Section 99.021, Florida Statutes)

I, ALLEN ELLISON
(PLEASE PRINT NAME AS YOU WISH IT TO APPEAR ON THE BALLOT * - NAME MAY NOT BE CHANGED AFTER THE END OF QUALIFYING)
am a candidate for the office of HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, DISTRICT 17; I am qualified
(office) (district #)
under the Constitution and the laws of the United States to hold the office to which I desire to be nominated or
elected; I have qualified for no other public office in the state, the term of which office or any part thereof runs
concurrent with the office I seek; and that I will support the Constitution of the United States.

* Please print name phonetically on the line below as you wish it to be pronounced on the audio ballot for persons
with disabilities (see instructions on page 2 of this form):

AL-LEN EL-LISON

STATEMENT OF PARTY

(Section 99.021, Florida Statutes)

I am a member of the DEMOCRATIC Party; I have not been a registered member of any
other political party for 365 days before the beginning of qualifying preceding the general election for which I seek to
qualify; and I have paid the assessment levied against me, if any, as a candidate for said office by the executive
committee of the political party, of which I am a member.

X Al L. Ellison (240) 381-5683 ellison@ellisonforcongress.com
Signature of Candidate Telephone Number Email Address

6100 Praise Ave Sebring Florida 33876
Address City State ZIP Code

Candidate's Florida Voter Registration Number (located on your voter information card): 104319378

~~STATE OF FLORIDA~~ Maryland
COUNTY OF Montgomery

Sworn to (or affirmed) and subscribed before me this 1 day of May, 2014

Personally Known: _____ or

Produced Identification: FL DL

Type of Identification Produced: _____

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DOLORES L. AREVALO
Notary Public
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Maryland
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**FEC
FORM 1**

**STATEMENT OF
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1. NAME OF
COMMITTEE (In full)

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(Check if name
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Example: If typing, type
over the lines.

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Elision for Congress Campaign Committee

ADDRESS (number and street)

11224 David Court

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(Check if address
is changed)

Waukegan

CITY ▲

IL

STATE ▲

33873

ZIP CODE ▲

COMMITTEE'S E-MAIL ADDRESS

☐

(Check if address
is changed)

CampaignElisionforCongress.com

Optional Second E-Mail Address

COMMITTEE'S WEB PAGE ADDRESS (URL)

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(Check if address
is changed)

www.elisionforcongress.com

2. DATE

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3. FEC IDENTIFICATION NUMBER ►

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4. IS THIS STATEMENT

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I certify that I have examined this Statement and to the best of my knowledge and belief it is true, correct and complete.

Type or Print Name of Treasurer

WARREN A. LEWIS

Signature of Treasurer

Warren A. Lewis

Date

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FEC FORM 1
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5. TYPE OF COMMITTEE

Candidate Committee:

- (a) ☒ This committee is a principal campaign committee. (Complete the candidate information below.)
- (b) ☐ This committee is an authorized committee, and is NOT a principal campaign committee. (Complete the candidate information below.)

Name of Candidate

Allen L. Ellisson

Candidate Party Affiliation

DEM

Office Sought:

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House

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Senate

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President

State

FL

District

17

- (c) ☐ This committee supports/opposes only one candidate, and is NOT an authorized committee.

Name of Candidate

Party Committee:

- (d) ☐ This committee is a ☒ (National, State or subordinate) committee of the ☒ (Democratic, Republican, etc.) Party.

Political Action Committee (PAC):

- (e) ☐ This committee is a separate segregated fund. (Identify connected organization on line 6.) Its connected organization is a:
- ☐ Corporation ☐ Corporation w/o Capital Stock ☐ Labor Organization
- ☐ Membership Organization ☐ Trade Association ☐ Cooperative
- ☐ In addition, this committee is a Lobbyist/Registrant PAC.
- (f) ☐ This committee supports/opposes more than one Federal candidate, and is NOT a separate segregated fund or party committee. (i.e., nonconnected committee)
- ☐ In addition, this committee is a Lobbyist/Registrant PAC.
- ☐ In addition, this committee is a Leadership PAC. (Identify sponsor on line 6.)

Joint Fundraising Representative:

- (g) ☐ This committee collects contributions, pays fundraising expenses and disburses net proceeds for two or more political committees/organizations, at least one of which is an authorized committee of a federal candidate.
- (h) ☐ This committee collects contributions, pays fundraising expenses and disburses net proceeds for two or more political committees/organizations, none of which is an authorized committee of a federal candidate.

Committees Participating in Joint Fundraiser

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Write or Type Committee Name

6. Name of Any Connected Organization, Affiliated Committee, Joint Fundraising Representative, or Leadership PAC Sponsor

Mailing Address

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

Relationship: ☐ Connected Organization ☐ Affiliated Committee ☐ Joint Fundraising Representative ☐ Leadership PAC Sponsor

7. Custodian of Records: Identify by name, address (phone number -- optional) and position of the person in possession of committee books and records.

Full Name

Mailing Address

Title or Position

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

Telephone number

8. Treasurer: List the name and address (phone number -- optional) of the treasurer of the committee; and the name and address of any designated agent (e.g., assistant treasurer).

Full Name
of Treasurer

Mailing Address

Title or Position

CITY

STATE

ZIP CODE

Telephone number

486432150710

Full Name of
Designated
Agent

Warren A. Lewis

Mailing Address

P.O. Box 16284

Alexandria

CITY

VA

STATE

22302-1

ZIP CODE

Title or Position

Treasurer

Telephone number

703-585-1360

9. Banks or Other Depositories: List all banks or other depositories in which the committee deposits funds, holds accounts, rents safety deposit boxes or maintains funds.

Name of Bank, Depository, etc.

SunTrust Bank

Mailing Address

1303 Peachtree St. NE

Atlanta

CITY

GA

STATE

30308

ZIP CODE

Name of Bank, Depository, etc.

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ELLISON FOR CONGRESS CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE
6100 PRAISE AVE
SEBING, FL 33876

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Allen L. Ellison

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Exhibit E



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

RICK SCOTT
Governor

KEN DETZNER
Secretary of State

May 8, 2014

Allen Ellison
Candidate for United States Representative (61948)
6100 Praise Avenue
Sebring, Florida 33876

Dear Mr. Ellison:

This is to advise you that the qualifying papers received by the Division of Elections were incomplete. Accordingly, you did not qualify as a candidate for the office of United States Representative. Enclosed please find your qualifying check in the amount of \$10,440.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact this office at 850-245-6280.

Sincerely,

Kristi Reid Bronson, Chief
Bureau of Election Records

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ELLISON FOR CONGRESS CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE
6100 PRAISE AVE
SEBRING, FL 33876

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DATE 5/11/14

PAY TO THE ORDER OF Florida Department of State Division of Elections \$ 10,440.00
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Allen L. Ellison



Details for Candidate ID : H4FL17037

Two Year Summary Report Summaries Filings	Jump To 2014	New Search	
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CURRENT CANDIDATE INFORMATION

Name: **ELLISON, ALLEN L (C - CHALLENGER)**

Office Sought: **H - HOUSE**

Election Year: **2016**

State: **FL - FLORIDA**, District: **17**

Party: **DEMOCRATIC PARTY**

Committees Related to Candidate

Principal Campaign Committee
ELLISON FOR CONGRESS CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE

Other Authorized Committees
ALLEN ELLISON FOR CONGRESS CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE

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From: Paula House <
Date: February 2, 2016 at 6:58:26 PM EST
To: April Freeman <
Subject: Re: Thank you for your feedback

Speaking Opportunity - Sebring, Highlands County

Dear April,

Our Leadership Blue dinner is scheduled for Feb. 20, evening, and we are extending an invitation to dinner and to speak. Mr. Ellison, who I believe is also running to be the Democratic nominee against Rooney. Time limit will be 5 minutes, with Q & A.

Our featured speaker for the meeting is Val Demings, who is from Orange County. The dinner begins with "happy hour" cash bar at 5:30, followed by dinner and speakers. It will be held at the Elks in Sebring, across from the Kenilworth Hotel, 2618 Kenilworth Blvd. We sponsor dinner for you and one guest.

My telephone number is . For more information on our party here, and the dinner please visit our website a www.hcdem.org.

I hope you can make it!! Please contact me to RSVP.

Paula House
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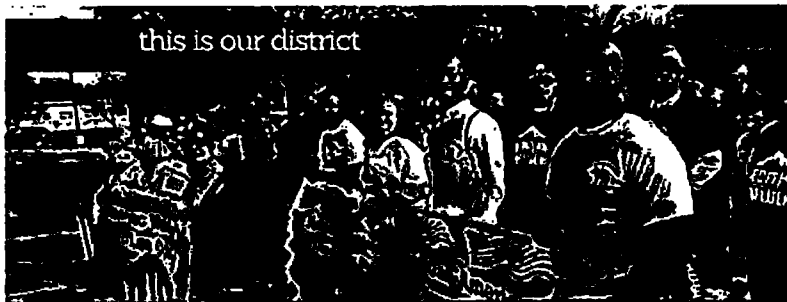
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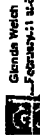
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at Last month the Democrat candidate, April Freeman, who had been running to unseat the "tea party" who currently holds my congressional seat, chose to abandon my district to a neighboring district where we already have a strong democratic candidate running. So now instead of two democratic running to turn two tea party seats blue, April has decided to in our parties best interest to have two democrats fight each other to try and turn one district blue. I am committed to seeing that April Freeman loses this primary election. Today I took action and set up a monthly donation to Allen Ellison campaign. I encourage all of you to join me in supporting the tea local democratic candidate for Florida's 17th congressional district, Ellison4Congress! ShanaeThaoChangWuSophtThelentAprilFreemanD

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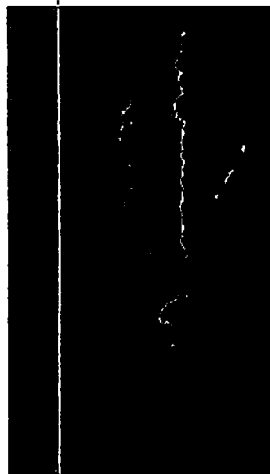


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